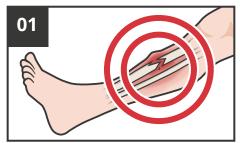


SPLINT APPLICATION

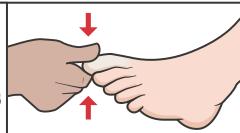


IDENTIFY the location of the fracture.

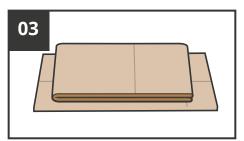
NOTE: Have the casualty or someone else manually stabilize the area.



Before applying the splint, **CHECK** the distal pulse (pulse below the fracture)...



and capillary refill (color returning to the nail bed after pressing on it) on the injured extremity.



PREPARE the splint materials for application.

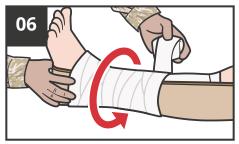
NOTE: Measure and shape the splint on the opposing uninjured extremity.



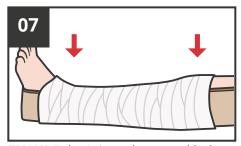
PREPARE securing materials (cravats, elastic wraps/bandages, etc.)



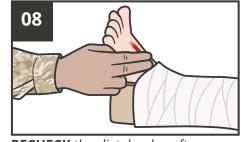
APPLY the splint to the injured extremity with the limb, in the position of function (a normal resting position), if possible.



SECURE the splint in place with appropriate materials.



ENSURE the joints above and below the fracture are immobilized in the splint whenever possible.



RECHECK the distal pulse after applying the splint. If the pulse is not palpable, loosen the splint, reposition, and reapply the splint.



If the casualty has pain, severe combat wounds, and is conscious and can swallow, **ADMINISTER** all pills (pain medication and antibiotics) from the CWMP with water.



DOCUMENT all findings and treatments on a DD Form 1380 TCCC Casualty Card and attach it to the casualty.